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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE TO MOBUTU ON REFORMS

REF: PARIS 18651

ASSISTANT UNDER SECRETARY PHILLIP MANSFIELD TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER JUNE 13 THAT, COPENHAGEN NOTWITHSTANDING, THE FCO REMAINS FIRMLY COMMITTED TO MAJOR REFORMS IN ZAIRE GOVERNMENT AS A CONDITION FOR INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE. HE FORESEES A POSSIBLE THREE-STEP APPROACH TO LETTING MOBUTU KNOW OUR CONCERNS: A) THE BRUSSELS MEETING; B) SEPARATE DEMARCHES BY THE FIVE KINSHASA AMBASSADORS; AND C) SEPARATE HIGH-LEVEL FOLLOW-UP MESSAGES TO MOBUTU. MANSFIELD SUBSEQUENTLY SEEMED LESS CONVINCED THAT THE LAST STEP WOULD BE NECESSARY AND COMMENTED ON THE TOUGH TONE OF THE PRESIDENT'S PROPOSED MESSAGE TO MOBUTU (STATE 148155 WHICH WE PASSED TO NUMBER TEN YESTERDAY). HE SAID AT THIS STAGE HE DID NOT THINK CALLAGHAN WOULD BE INCLINED TO SEND A SIMILAR LETTER AND MENTIONED FRENCH CONCERNS THAT SUCH LETTERS MIGHT PROVOKE A POLITICAL
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